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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Declaration and Power of Attorney (unsigned).
2. Application-[79] pages, including Abstract, 6 Independent claims, and 50 dependent claims.
3. Seventeen (17) sheets of informal drawings (Figs. 1-16).

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d). Neither the Declaration and Power of Attorney nor the application filing fee is being submitted at this time. Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the executed Declaration and paying the filing fee.

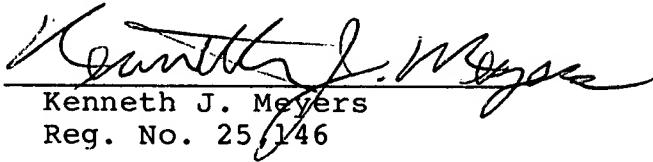
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